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Sir John Dead.

THE GREAT CONSERVATIVE LEADER PASSED AWAY SATURDAY AT 10:15 P. M.

OTTAWA, June 6th.—Sir John Macdonald died quietly at a quarter past ten. The bells are tolling and there is a feeling of great sadness prevailing in the city. Hon. Mr. Abbott will act as premier until after the session, when Sir John Thompson will become premier. The Cabinet will be reorganized, new blood being brought in. There will be a state funeral. The house is adjourned until after the funeral. Sir John's body will be buried at Kingston.

BIOGRAPHICAL.

A BRIEF REVIEW OF THE DECEASED PREMIER'S CAREER.

A MINISTER.

For forty years a representative of the people in parliament, for thirty the trusted and well-beloved leader of the great Conservative party, and for twenty-five the Premier of the Dominion of Canada, the career of Sir John A. Macdonald is in one respect at least unique in the history of parliamentary institutions. Sir John has almost completed his fifth decade of continuous public life.

Like so many others who have contributed to the development and prosperity of Canada, Sir John is a Scot, having first seen the light at Glasgow in 1815. Five years later, as a bright eyed, curly-haired, active boy, he helped to form a family group seeking a home in the New World, to which so many were then looking to redress the balance of the Old. His father decided upon Kingston, in what is now the province of Ontario, for his permanent abiding place, and there, by the exercise of unremitting diligence and characteristic thrift, prospered so well that he was able to gratify his paternal pride by giving his most promising son as thorough an education as could be obtained in those days, when schools were scarce and colleges almost unknown. While at school the future statesman seems to have proved a very satisfactory pupil, being often called upon by the master to display to admiring visitors his proficiency in mathematics and penmanship. He is described by one who served under the same teacher as having "a very intelligent and pleasing face, strange fizzy-looking hair that curled in a dark mass, and a striking nose," all of which physical traits, and particularly the last he has preserved in a marked degree to the present day, as the cartoons of *Grip*, the Canadian Punch, abundantly testify.

HIS SCHOOL DAYS OVER.

At the age of sixteen he secured a stool in the chambers of a leading barrister, and spent five years in studying the principles of his chosen profession, paying such careful heed hereto that the lawyer with whom he was articled often spoke of him as the most diligent student he had ever seen. Once embarked in business on his own account, he soon acquired an excellent practice. Unfailingly skilful, courteous and attentive, his reputation rapidly grew, and the highest prizes of the profession lay within the natural scope of his ambition. But destiny had selected him for a more exalted station than even the chair of a chief justice. In those comparatively primitive days the possessions of any decided measure of talent, combined with a good education, was sufficient to mark a man out for public life and insure opportunities for attaining political distinction. Mr. Macdonald had not been many years in practice before his brilliant defence of one Von Schoultz attracted general

attention and prepared the way for his entrance into political life. Von Schoultz was a Pole whose sympathy with the rebellion of 1838 under Mackenzie led him to take up ineffectual arms in a pathetically inadequate attempt to free Canada from what he imagined to be a tyranny akin to that under which his own beloved land had been crushed. When court-martialled for his crime public feeling ran so high against him that he was practically condemned man before his trial, and it required no slight degree of moral courage to undertake his defence. Yet Mr. Macdonald not only gallantly appeared as his advocate, but displayed on behalf of the unfortunate prisoner such keen professional skill, unselfish zeal and moving eloquence that, despite the unpopularity of his cause, he placed himself at one bound in the foremost rank of his profession. There was more truth in the prophecy than perhaps the writer himself imagined who, reporting the proceedings for one of the journals of the day, ventured to predict that "Von Schoultz's counsel would soon be recognized as one of the best men in the country."

IN PARLIAMENT.

From that day the feeling grew and gathered force that this talented young lawyer must be sent to parliament, and accordingly, 1841, he was offered the nomination for Kingston in the Conservative interest. His triumphant election was the result of an exciting contest, in the course of which he gave unmistakable promise of very unusual ability as a lawyer, and especially of what has been called "this wonderful way of casting oil upon the troubled waters," a happy faculty which enabled him often to secure a hearing when other men would have been shouted into silence by the whiskey-inflamed men who formed his audience.

A MINISTER.

In December, 1844, the Canadian parliament assembled for the despatch of business and Mr. Macdonald, who supported the party then in power, began his long executive career on the 12th of that month, being appointed a member of the Standing Orders Committee. Although he could hardly help realising superiority in intellect and attainments to the majority of his fellow members, Mr. Macdonald did not plunge into debate with pernicious impetuosity, as young members of promise are apt to do. Thoroughly appreciating the force of the adage, "Festina lente," he allowed his voice to be but seldom heard during his first two sessions. Twice, however, he dared to cross swords with no less formidable an opponent than the leader of the opposition, Mr. Baldwin, the most powerful debater in that House. On both these occasions the question under debate happened to be of a constitutional character, and Mr. Macdonald had already by diligent study laid broad and deep the foundations of that mastery of constitutional law for which he was distinguished. Modesty as he bore himself, however, his merit went not unperceived, and in 1847 a request came from the then Premier, Mr. Draper, that he should accept the portfolio of Receiver-General. After a short continuance in this office, he exchanged it for the Crown Lands, a department which had then almost as bad a reputation for vexatious delays and mystery muddling as the English Court of Chancery in the Jarmydes days, but in which he instituted reforms of great and lasting benefit. A year later parliament dissolved, and although in the general election which followed Mr. Macdonald easily retained his own seat, so many of his party lost theirs, that when parliament reassembled the Conservatives found themselves in a hopeless minority.

IN OPPOSITION.

Thenceforward, during six years of stirring events which must be passed over in silence, Mr. Macdonald's abilities were confined within the limited sphere available to even the most talented member of an opposition, which could count only nineteen supporters in a house of eighty-four representatives. They were years of precious experience to him, however. Numerically weak as the opposition was, he made it a power to be respected by the occupants of the Treasury benches, and never permitted any important measure to pass, of whose principles he disapproved, without raising his voice in determined protest. Thus were his powers of debate surely and solidly strengthened, his rare penetration into men and motives developed and he himself prepared for that long hold upon the reins of power which beginning in 1854 continued till the present with undiminished vigor, having in all those years had but two lacunae—namely

ly the Liberal administrations of 1862-64 and in 1874-78.

STRUGGLES.

The year 1854 was one of intense political excitement in Canada. The Reform ministry of Hinks had resigned, and three distinct parties now presented themselves before the people, asking their suffrage—the government party, led by Mr. Hinks, the "Grits" as they were nicknamed, under the rule of Mr. Brown, and the Conservatives owing allegiance to Sir Allan Macnab. Mr. Macdonald belonged to the last, and was real, although not nominal, leader, Sir Allan being still of service as a figurehead. The elections decided nothing, for each party came out with a fair following. When the house met, it was evident that, unless some coalition could be formed, public business was at a dead-lock, as neither of the three parties could construct a state government alone. Anxious exciting days of conference, caucus, and combination followed with the final result that by a coalition of the more staid and solid Liberals with the liberalized and progressive Conservatives a government was formed with sufficient support to insure its effective existence. Mr. Morin and Sir Allan Macnab were at first the joint premiers of the new administration, but soon after its formation the former retired in favor of Colonel Tache, and the latter, who had pretty well outlived his usefulness, was the unanimous wish of the party replaced by Mr. Macdonald. A year later Colonel Tache, finding the labors of leadership too onerous, made way for Mr. Cartier, one of the ablest statesmen the old province of Quebec has ever produced, and between whom an alliance Macdonald there thenceforth existed an intimate and cordial political friendship. Mr. Macdonald now became premier in name as well as in fact, the government bearing the title of Macdonald-Cartier, according to the fashion in those days of endowing governments with double-barreled titles, in order to indicate the leaders of the Upper and Lower Canada sections respectively.

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Eminent as were the latter's abilities, his character had many grave defects, and among them a passionate impatience. A man of tireless energy, he knew well how to labor, but had never learned how to wait. The astute Premier laid his plans accordingly. He was confident that he still commanded a majority in the House, and that no government formed by his opponent could be permanent. He also knew that so surely as he resigned Mr. Brown would jump at the chance of getting into power, without waiting to count the cost. So, the day after the hostile vote, the Macdonald-Cartier administration resigned, and Mr. Brown, being sent for by the governor, undertook the task of forming a government with an alacrity which clearly showed that his burning desire for power had blinded his eyes to the actual condition of affairs, as he did not even stipulate for an appeal to the country. Three days later the new ministry was announced, and proposed to proceed with the public business; but the House had no sooner assembled than a want-of-confidence vote was moved by a leading Conservative, and, after an exciting and acrimonious discussion, the callow ministry found themselves in a minority of forty. Under these circumstances they could do nothing but resign, which they accordingly did forthwith, after having been in office hardly forty-eight hours. His strategy thus crowned with complete success, Mr. Macdonald returned to power, supported by an even larger majority than before, and having around his council board almost precisely the same faces as previous to his resignation.

NATIONAL POLICY.

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ional Policy," it furnished the battle cry wherewith Sir John in 1878 led his forces to victory, and which to-day constitutes the fiscal policy of the Dominion. A far more important announcement, however, was that the expediency of a federation of all the British North American provinces was selected in 1848, only to forfeit it again in 1849, when the passage of an omnibus bill so infuriated a Tory mob that they pelted Lord Elgin with paving stones, smashed his carriage in the street, and finally wound up by burning the parliament buildings to ashes. Toronto and Quebec were then selected alternately, but as this plan was not found to work well the question was referred to Her Majesty, who in 1858 selected Ottawa. Hon. George Brown opposed the selection with great vigor, but failed to make any change. He forced a vote, however, which gave Sir John's Government a majority although somewhat small.

Notwithstanding this, the Premier counseled resignation. With that profound penetration which renders him almost prophetic in the accuracy of his forecasts, he now deserved an opportunity of dealing his relentless opponent, Mr. Brown, a blow from which he would be long in recovering. And now occurred the celebrated controversy about the location of the capital. There were four aspiring cities—Toronto and Kingston for Upper Canada, Montreal and Quebec for Lower Canada. In 1841 Kingston was made the capital, but so great was the dissatisfaction that Montreal was selected in 1848, only to forfeit it again in 1849, when the passage of an omnibus bill so infuriated a Tory mob that they pelted Lord Elgin with paving stones, smashed his carriage in the street, and finally wound up by burning the parliament buildings to ashes. Toronto and Quebec were then selected alternately, but as this plan was not found to work well the question was referred to Her Majesty, who in 1858 selected Ottawa. Hon. George Brown opposed the selection with great vigor, but failed to make any change. He forced a vote, however, which gave Sir John's Government a majority although somewhat small.

Reference has been already made to the question of representation by population as one upon the harmonious settlement of which the future of Canada depended. Its vital significance arose from the wide differences of race and religion which unhappily existed between the provinces of Upper and Lower Canada, or Ontario and Quebec,

as they are now called. Upper Canada was inhabited almost exclusively by English-speaking, Protestant population, while in Lower Canada the people were swayed by the ties that connected them with France, and His Holiness at Rome. When the two Canadas united in 1841, although the lower province had then the larger population, it was stipulated that both provinces should send an equal number of representatives to the joint parliament, and with this arrangement Upper Canada was for the time well content. But, as years passed by, the English provinces outstripped in wealth and population her slower sister, and began to think that the representation should be changed so as to bear a just proportion to the respective population, and the Liberals of that day, seeking for an effective party cry, seized upon representation by population and made it their shibboleth. As year by year Ontario increased her lead over Quebec, the movement gained power and popularity within her borders, while of course there could be no hope of its meeting withught save the most determined opposition in Quebec.

CONFEDERATION.

In this emergency the scheme for a confederation of the provinces presented itself to Mr. Macdonald's mind as a possible solution of the difficulty. First mooted by the British-American League in 1849, it had made but little impression, and perhaps might have never been heard of again but for the circumstances just indicated. Having been formally adopted by the Conservatives as a principal plank in the party platform, the great scheme now fully entered the arena of practical politics, and henceforward until its execution formed a subject of engrossing interest.

Meanwhile, however, the people now seemed to grow weary of the Macdonald regime, and during the session of 1862 its supporters fell away one by one, until finally the ministry were defeated on a tariff bill introduced by Mr. Macdonald and rendered necessary in his opinion by the possibility of serious complications with the neighboring republic, then in the throes of civil war. A Liberal administration then took the country under its care, but after a troubled existence, resigned in 1864. Public affairs now fell into a very curious and alarming condition. Although Mr. Macdonald, with the aid of his old ally, Colonel Tache, succeeded in forming an harmoniously constructed and thoroughly representative government, containing the very ablest men of his party, parliament had no had no sooner met than it became clear that they were insecure in their tenancy of office. A want-of-confidence motion brought forward at an early stage of the session escaped defeat by the narrow majority of two, and a few days later the sudden defection of two followers on a similar motion changed the ministerial majority into a minority of just the same dimensions. Matters were indeed at a strange pass. Four administrations had fallen within a little more than two years. All public business beyond mere routine was at a stand-still. There could but be one way out of this critical *désastre*—to withdraw from the coalition; and this, in view of the bitter antagonism between the two parties, seemed so impracticable as to be hardly worth discussing. But then, according to the proverb, it is impossible which happens; and so it fell out in this case. To the profound surprise of supporters and opponents alike, but to his own infinite credit, Mr. Brown, who still led the Opposition, realizing the need of decisive action if the union was to be preserved, made overtures to Mr. Macdonald, which ultimately resulted in the former consenting to enter the cabinet, with two of his followers, on the express understanding that as a substitute for representation by population, for which he had so consistently fought, Parliament would at its next session introduce the federal principle into Canada. On this arrangement being perfected the deadlock came to an end; the Conservative lion and the Grits took sweet council together, and through their united action, supplemented by the eloquent advocacy and exhaustless labour of Mr. Cartier in Quebec, Mr. Tupper in Nova Scotia, and Mr. Tilley in New Brunswick, confederation was in the year 1867, given to Canada. Throughout all the difficult and intricate negotiations that were required to perfect the scheme, although the ablest public men in Canada co-operated, Mr. Macdonald was facile princeps. Unanimously chosen chairman of the final conference, held in London in December, 1865, to which came delegates from all the provinces, his perfect knowledge of all details, marvellous tact, and irresistibly persuasive powers

proved equal to the Herculean task of reconciling the vast and varied interests which at times seemed so seriously conflicting as to menace the whole scheme. Confederation may indeed be justly regarded as Sir John Macdonald's magnum opus.

It was but right and fitting, therefore, that to him should be committed the task of forming the first administration under the new order of things. In fulfilling this commission Mr. Macdonald wisely determined to bring together, irrespective of all party considerations, those gentlemen who represented majorities in the provinces to which they belonged. "I do not want it to be felt," said he by any section in the country that they have no representative in the cabinet and no influence in the government." A ministry selected on these principles and containing the best material in the new Dominion could not fail to prove exceedingly strong, and that this one should have a long and successful career was therefore only a natural consequence. Lord Monck, who as Governor of the Canadas had been a cordial co-operator in promoting the Confederation, was appointed Governor General of the new Dominion, and one of his first official acts was, by Her Majesty's direction, to confer upon Mr. Macdonald the well-merited honor of Knight Commander of the Bath. Since this article was put in type, Her Majesty has been pleased to confer upon him the Grand Cross of Bath. He is also a Privy Councillor, with the title of Right Honorable, and a Knight Grand Cross of the Royal Order of Isabella la Católica of Spain. Then followed seven successful years of plenty, during which Prince Edward Island entered confederation and the North West Territories were acquired.

One of the most important events of this period, however, and one with which Sir John's name will ever be peculiarly associated, was the Washington convention of 1871, in which a number of irritating international questions that had accumulated between Great Britain and the United States received a quietus through the medium of a joint commission. The principal subjects that came before this commission were the fishery question, the Alabama claims, the navigation of the St. Lawrence, and the boundary line between the United States and British Columbia. Of these matters in issue the first was vitally important to Canada, as the dispute had during late years assumed a very serious aspect. The trouble arose in this way. The persistent refusal of the Washington authorities to entertain any proposition for a renewal of reciprocity had driven the Dominion government to retaliate by closing to American fishermen the use of Canadian waters, and this prohibition had been enforced by the fitting out of a miniature navy for seizing and confiscating all trespassing vessels. Serious complications soon occurred, and worse threatened in the near future. The announcement, therefore, that the Imperial and American governments had consented to confer this along with the other matters in dispute between them to the arbitrament of common sense and enlightened justice instead of the breach louder and the bayonet was hailed with general satisfaction.

Not in any sense as a representative of Canada, since Canada, being a colony, could of course have no status in such a proceeding, but as a representative of England, selected for that honor because intimately acquainted with all the subject awaiting settlement and bound to consider imperial interests as altogether paramount to colonial, Sir John occupied a place on that commission. The results of the convention are well known. The Alabama claims were referred to another arbitration board of settlement, the San Juan boundary dispute went to the Emperor of Germany for his adjudication, while free navigation of the St. Lawrence and Michigan canals was guaranteed to American and Canadian citizens alike. With regard to the fishery question, it was settled that the Canadian waters should be thrown open to American fishermen for a period of ten years, and that the United States should pay for this privilege such amount as might be awarded by a special commission to meet at a later day. This commission met at Halifax, Nova Scotia, in the year 1877, and awarded to Canada five and a half million dollars, which sum was duly paid over by the United States.

Sir John was violently attacked by the opposition press for sacrificing Canadian interests to those of the mother country. But throughout the storm the premier bore himself with



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The Moose Jaw Times.

FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 1891.

DEATH OF THE PREMIER.

The deepest sorrow has prevailed throughout the Dominion since the death of Canada's veteran and beloved Premier was flashed over the wires. The news has sent a thrill of sorrow through every Canadian heart, and in every city, town and village in the land, expressions of genuine grief have been evoked. Political friends and political foes unite in acknowledgment of his great abilities as a statesman and the loss his country will sustain by his death. For upwards of fifty years his has been the brain and his the hand that has shaped the destinies of Canada and made her history. John A. Macdonald was born January 11th, 1815, in Glasgow, Scotland. His father emigrated to Canada in the year 1820, and settled in Kingston, Canada West. He was educated at the Royal Grammar School, afterwards studied law and was admitted to the Bar in 1838, at the age of 22 years. His first important case was in 1839, when he defended the rebel Schultz, indicted for treason, for taking part in the rebellion of 1837. Schultz was hanged, but the brilliant young lawyer attracted great attention by the splendid manner in which he conducted the defence. He entered political life in 1842, as M. P. for Kingston, which constituency he has represented in parliament almost continuously since. As a politician he came rapidly to the front, the same tact which he displayed in his first political campaign by which at a meeting called by his opponent, the future premier converted a hooting mob, with which the meeting had been packed, into warm and enthusiastic supporters, marking him as a born leader of men. In 1847, he entered the Draper Cabinet as Receiver General of Canada, but was soon transferred to the Department of Crown Lands. On the defeat of the Draper ministry in 1848, John Macdonald remained in opposition to the Baldwin government until 1854, when the administration fell before the fire of the opposition and defects in the ranks of its own supporters, and the coalition, McNabb—Morin government, was formed. John A. entered the new Cabinet as Attorney General, becoming on the retirement of Sir Allan McNabb, the leader of the Upper Canada conservatives. Shortly afterwards the Macdonald—Cartier government was formed, which ruled the country down to the date of confederation. The picture of "The Fathers of Confederation," represents Sir John Macdonald, standing, surrounded by the leading politicians of the different provinces newly federated, of all shades of politics. He was undoubtedly, in everything which his genius touched, the leader of the movement which transformed four scattered colonies, rent by internal discord and strife, into a united national life. As soon as confederation was an accomplished fact Sir John was called on to form a Cabinet, which ruled the country up to the time of the Pacific scandal in 1873. The liberals then held power up to 1878, in which year they were defeated by Sir John on the National Policy. Since 1878, there have been three general elections, in all of which his government has been sustained by the people on the same issue as that which carried him to victory in 1878. After the general election of 1873, his political fortunes seemed at a very low ebb, and in the first session of the new parliament he found himself the leader of a broken and disheartened party. His transcendent genius however, looked into the future and saw the genus of discord and jealousy already at work among the victors. Rallying the remnant of his party he commenced years before, to organize for the next great battle at the polls, and everybody in Canada knows the result of the 1878 election and the history of Canada since, under Sir John's administration. The National Policy has been inaugurated, the Canadian Pacific railway built, the North-West surveyed and opened up for settlement, the trade relations of the Dominion extended, canals built

and others deepened, and a host of other works constructed, which have added greatly to the prosperity of the country.

At the close of his career, the friends of Sir John Macdonald can look back over a long life spent in the service of his country, and energies expended for the benefit of the Canadian people.

FARMER'S INSTITUTE.

A meeting of the Farmer's Institute was held on Saturday last in the Brunswick Hall for the purpose of hearing the report of the Delegates who went east last spring for immigration purposes, and to discuss the Flouring Mill question. Mr. A. E. Day was appointed to act in that capacity. The President, Mr. S. K. Rathwell, called upon Capt. Smith, who stated that during his visit in the east, he met with a large number of farmers who intend to visit this district this summer and examine the resources for themselves. Regarding the Flouring Mill, Mr. Smith gave some valuable information, while in the east he had visited a number of Mill furnishing works with a view of ascertaining the cost of such a mill as would suit this district. He read several letters, among which was one from the firm of William & J. G. Greey, Toronto Mill furnishing works, stating that they would furnish the required machinery for a mill of 35 barrel capacity, furnished in first class style, and do all millwright's work in connection with same for sum of \$3,500.00. All present seemed to be in favor of having a mill built with as little delay as possible, and the following motions were moved and unanimously carried:

Moved by T. E. McWilliams, seconded by Jas. Ostrander that a committee be appointed, to consist of, Messrs. Hopkins, Rathwell, Battell, Capt. Smith, Ben Smith, McWilliams, Dorrell, Annable, Miller, Green, Allison, H. C. Gilmour, Jas. Franks, Beesley, Rutherford, and Day, to ascertain, the feeling of the farmers as to forming a Joint Stock Milling Company; also to find out how much each individual would subscribe to the above; shares to be ten dollars each, and to report at a future meeting to be held in the Brunswick Hall the 27th inst.

Moved by Mr. McWilliams seconded by Mr. Green, that Mr. Smith correspond with firms in the east and obtain plans and specification and size of building required to work machinery of 35 to 50 barrel capacity—carried. Meeting adjourned, to meet again in three weeks from date.

A public meeting will be held on Monday June 15th at 6 o'clock in every public school in the Moose Jaw district, to discuss mill matters. Delegates appointed by the Institute will be present.

TWO RIVERS.

Owing to the late rains the pasture in the Qu'Appelle and Moose Jaw Valley is luxuriant. There will also be abundance of hay.

Game will be plentiful especially ducks and geese. Chickens are also numerous. The young ducks are now coming out and the young jackrabbits are thicker than ever.

We have lost Messrs. Green & Lasselle from our midst, having located a ranch at Long Lake, where they are making extensive improvements in the shape of stables, corrals, etc., and a commodious dwelling house.

Mr. Wm. Riddell, the late senior partner of the above named firm, retains the old stand, and is making large improvements. He is building a fine residence on the south banks of the Qu'Appelle Valley, as well as a dairy, milk house, etc.

Mr. Thomas Bull has sold his house in the Valley and has gone to California.

Messrs. Mason and Thompson are herding their cattle on the Assin River away from this settlement, and are doing remarkably well. Mr. Thompson is around once more after his narrow escape from a ferocious bull.

Mr. H. L. Toms is about moving his residence, stables etc., on his homestead near the banks of the Qu'Appelle.

The trustees of the school have decided to close it until the 1st of Oct.

Rev. Mr. Brown held communion service in this church last Sabbath.

Messrs. Wright and Wallace, butchers, have been looking up beef cattle around the settlement and have secured fine specimens for the Moose Jaw market.

There seems to be great need of a market building in Moose Jaw as both farmers and ranchers would take in beef, butter, eggs and grain if there was a suitable building erected. The town is boasting of telephones, electric light, fire engines, etc., why should it not have a market such as is seen in every Ontario town with a fair ground, where horses, cattle, sheep, swine and poultry could be exhibited and offered for sale weekly.

AN OLD TIMER.

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MARLBORO' AND PIONEER.

A music and literary entertainment was given in Wesley Church last Thursday evening. A very pleasant evening was passed. Dr. McLean occupied the chair. Addresses were delivered by Revs. Roberts, Ridd, Dickenson, Callender and McLean. The choir under the leadership of Miss Rattle, sang several pieces very nicely. A solo by Miss Rattle was well rendered. Duets were sang by Messrs. Ridd and Roberts and by Misses Rattle and Cline. The proceedings were brought to a close by singing the national anthem.

A meeting of the base ball club was held at Mr. R. Henderson's on Saturday, the attendance being good. After practice a business meeting was held and Robert McBride was elected captain for the ensuing season. Ed. Heath Secretary. The next practice will take place next Saturday evening, at Mr. R. Henderson's.

The heavy rain last Sunday will do a great deal of good. There is a general anticipation of heavy crop in this neighborhood. The grain on summer-fallow or stubble especially, is making great headway.

BOHARM.

The grass was never better than it is this spring, and the prospects for lots of hay right at home are good.

Some of our bachelors are having lively times breaking in ponies.

We notice that J. L. Bastelo has been giving his house a fresh coat of paint.

Mr. A. B. Carle has moved his house from the centre of homestead to the south end of his pre-emption.

There are a few stray colts running around the district looking for owners.

The trustees of the Boharm school district will sit as a Court of Revision on the 10th.

We understand that Mr. Williams did not find a suitable range for his horses north and has gone south towards Old Wives Lake to see the country in that direction.

SWIFT CURRENT.

The pleasant countenance of Doctor Turnbull, of Moose Jaw, was seen on our streets on Wednesday last, the people here are always pleased to see the "Doc."

We have had considerable rain here during the past two weeks, but according to reports there has been a much larger quantity east of this place.

The death of Sir John is the sole topic in town.

PARKBEG.

June 6th.—A very heavy rain storm passed over here this afternoon. It was the heaviest this season.

The bone pickers have formed quite a colony here and have a large stack of bones piled alongside the track ready for shipping.—Com.

Ottawa, May 29.—To-day in the Agricultural Committee Dr. Brett and Mr. Bettis, introduced by Mr. Davin, were present. Mr. Davin brought before the committee the satisfaction with which the immigrants from Dakota compared the location around Moose Jaw with what they left behind in Dakota. He also moved and carried the following resolution:

"That this committee recommends to the House of Commons to direct the Printing Committee to consider the desirability of reproducing here in Canada the four pamphlets containing an account of the visit of the Tenant-Farmers' Delegates to Canada in 1890."

WINTER SPORTS.—The gay winter season exposes many to attacks of colds, coughs, rheumatism, tightness of the chest, asthma, bronchitis, etc., which requires a reliable remedy like Hayard's Pectoral Balsam for their relief and cure. Known as reliable for over thirty years. The best cough cure.

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Winnipeg Free Press, June 9.—At a meeting of railway clerks of Manitoba division, held at the Clarendon Hotel last night, the following resolution was adopted and telegraphed to Lady Macdonald:

WINNIPEG, Man., 6th of June, 1891.—It having pleased the Almighty to remove from amongst us your illustrious husband and Canada's noblest son, and who ever evinced an earnest desire to promote the welfare of every member of every branch of the state; we, the railway mail clerks of Manitoba and the North-West Territories desire to convey to you our deepest sympathy, praying that God in His Mercy will sustain and comfort you in this your hour of sorrow.

J. G. Moon, W. B. Storax,
President, Secretary.

An Ottawa florist was instructed by wire to forward to Earndale, on behalf of the mail clerks, a tribute, to take the form of a mail padlock.

TWO YEARS AGO.—Two years ago I was troubled with an ulcer on my ankle having used R. B. B. for bad blood I procured a bottle and a box or Burdock Healing Ointment. After using 3 months and 3 boxes I was completely cured. Mrs. Wm. V. Boyd, Brantford, Ont.

FLAG POLES.

All parties in need of Flag Poles can be supplied from the Coast by leaving their orders with me up to the 25th inst.

H. McDougall.

GOPHER TAILS !

The Agricultural Society offer \$28 in prizes for Gopher tails as follows:

For the greatest number of Tails,

1st Prize.....	\$10 00
2nd "	7 00
3rd "	5 00
4th "	3 00

And \$3.00 additional for the one who has the tails arranged the nicest.

TENDERS.

SEALED TENDERS marked "For Mounted Police Protection and Light Cavalry" and "For the Protection of the Municipality of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, will be received up to noon on Friday, 19th June, 1891.

Printed forms of tender, containing full information as to the article and quantities required, may be had on application to any of the Mounted Police Posts in the North West, or at the office of the undersigned.

No tender will be received unless made on printed forms.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Each tender must be accompanied by an accepted Canadian bank cheque for an amount equal to ten per cent. of the value of what is tendered, which will be forfeited if the party declines to enter into contract when called upon to do so, or if he fails to complete the service contracted for by the tenderer, but excepting the cheque will be returned.

No payment will be made to newspaper inserting this advertisement without authority having first been obtained.

FRED. WHITE,
Comptroller, N. W. M. Police.
Ottawa, May 15th, 1891.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that the Court of Revision for the Municipality of the Town of Moose Jaw will be held in the Council Chamber at 2 p.m. on the 17th day of June, instant.

THOS. E. KIRBECK,
Town Clerk.

NOTICE.

A meeting will be held in the Brunswick Hall the 1st day of July for the purpose of forming a Stock Association for this district. All those interested are requested to be present.

T. D. WATSON.

B. B. B.

Burdock Blood Bitters
is a purely vegetable compound, possessing perfect regulating properties over all the organs of the system, and controlling their excretions. It so purifies the blood that it

CURES

All blood humours and diseases, from a common pimple to the worst scrofulous sore, and this combined with its unrivalled regulating, cleansing and purifying influence on the secretions of the liver, kidneys, bowels and skin, render it unequalled as a cure for all diseases of the skin.

SKIN

From one to two bottles will cure boils, pimples, blisters, little rashes, small sores, and all the simple forms of skin disease. From two to four bottles will cure scrofulous, rheumatic, ague, consumption, ulcers, abscesses, running sores, and all skin eruptions. It is noticeable that sufferers from skin

DISEASES

Are nearly always aggravated by intolerable stitching, but this quickly subsides on the removal of the disease by B. B. B. Passing on to grave yet prevalent diseases, such as scrofulous swelling, humours and

SCROFULA

We have undoubted proof that from three to six bottles used internally and by outward application (diluted if the skin is broken) to the affected parts, will effect a cure. The great number of B. B. B. in the secretions of the liver, kidneys, bowels and blood, control acidity and wrong action of the system, and to open all the various ways of the system to carry off all diseased and impure secretions, allowing nature thus to aid recovery and remove without fail.

BAD BLOOD

Liver complaint, biliousness, dyspepsia, sick headache, drowsy, rheumatism, and every species of disease arising from disordered liver, kidneys, stomach, bowels and blood. We guarantee every bottle of B. B. B. Should any person be dissatisfied after using the first bottle, we will refund the money on application personally or by letter. We will also refund to send testimonials and information proving the effects of B. B. B. in the above named disease, on application to T. MILBURN & CO., Toronto, Ont.

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Latest Improvements, Special prices for parties buying quantity on application.

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